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OFFICIAL STATEMENT MADE BY FOREIGN OFFICE SPOKESMAN

ON AUGUST 2, 1937 ON TUNGCHOW INCIDENT.

According to official report received on the night of July 31, the Chinese Peace Preservation Corps at Tungchow who rebelled against the government and massacred the Japanese refugees and residents numbered approximately 3,000. They carried trench mortars, incendiary shells, and machine-guns.

At the end of June this year, the number of Japanese who were living there was 338, of whom 151 were from Japan Proper and 187 were from Chosen. Only about fifty out of this 338 escaped death as they remained within the army barracks.

The attackers surrounded the Japanese army barracks at 4:00 a. m. on July 29 and at the same time they made surprise attacks against the East Hopei government building, the Japanese Military Special Service Mission and the branch of the police station, the last named being set on fire and all Japanese policemen and their families killed, excepting the wife and child of one policeman.

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第一一〇九號

通州事件に關する一九三七年八月二日
外務省代表者對露の公式聲明書

七月三十一日夜受け取つた公報によると政府に反抗して日本避難民及居留民を襲撃した通州保安隊の数は約三千人に達した由。彼等は迫撃砲、機銃、機關銃を携帯していた。

本年六月末同地に居住していた日本人の数は三三八名で中一五一名は日本内地から一八七名は朝鮮からである。この三三八名の中何れか五〇名が軍兵營内に残つていたために死を蒙つたのである。

暴徒は七月二十九日午前四時日本軍兵營を包圍すると同時に冀河北酸廠の建物、日本陸務機關、派出所を不意打にし、派出所は放火せられ日本警察官及その家族は一警官の妻及子供の外は全部殺害されたのである。